get themselves listed in the voters list in order to avoid deportation and other legal proceedings. The problem of illegal migrants from Bangladesh is assuming serious proportions and the Delhi Police recently took action to deport 26 Bangladesh nationals. The Delhi Police have stated that no harassment has been caused by them to bonafide residents and citizens.

Modernisation of Police in Orissa

1959. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are assisting the State Governments for the modernisation of police forces:

(b) if so, the details of the assistance extended to the State of Orissa during last three years for this purpose:

(c) the other steps Government have taken in that State in this regard; and

(d) the amount spent on that programme during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. Under the Scheme of Modernisation of State Police Forces, the Central Government has been providing financial assistance to the State Governments in respect of some items viz. better mobility, wireless communications, forensic science, laboratories (building and equipment), scientific aids to investigation and training equipment.

(b) to (d) The assistance given to the State of Orissa under the Scheme over the period 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 amounts to Rs. 46.96 lakhs, Rs. 44.60 lakh and Rs. 37 lakhs respectively.

'Police' and 'Public Order' being State subjects it is primarily for the State Governments to take necessary steps to improve the standars of the Police Force. Central assistance provided under the Scheme for Modernisation of Police Forces is only by way of supplementing the State Government's expenditure out of their own resources.

Boms explosion in a Shuttle train

1960. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a powerful bomb exploded in Shuttle train running between Meerut and New Delhi on the 19th October, 91;

(b) if so, what is the number of passengers killed/injured as a result thereof;

(c) whether Goverament have since instituted an inquiry into the incident; and

(d) if so, what are the findings thereof and the steps taken by Government to provide safe journey to the passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MNISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) A bomb explosion took place on 2 DNM Passenger Train between Modi Nagar and Murad Nagar on 19.10.1991.

(b) No passenger was killed. However, two passengers sustained serious injuries and two minor injuries.

(c) and (d) General Railway Police, Meerut has registered a criminal case which is under investigation.

The maintenance of law and order on the Railways is the responsibility of the State Governments. However, in the effected areas, the travelling public is being warned through public address systems, T.V., posters and news-paper advertisements not to touch or handle any suspicious looking object and to report to the Police/Railway Staff if any such object comes to their notice. Besides, coaches of passengers trains are thoroughly checked before they are placed at the platforms. In addition, random checks of passengers' luggage is being conducted in the affected areas by police